IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Canceled).

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[1]] 11, wherein said component (A) is an aromatic hydrocarbon compound represented by the general formula (1):

$$HR^1R^2Si-A-SiR^3R^4H$$
 (1)

wherein R¹, R², R³, and R⁴ each independently represent a hydrogen atom or a group selected from the group consisting of an unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, a substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, and an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; and A represents an aromatic ring-containing divalent hydrocarbon group having 6 to 12 carbon atoms.

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Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[1]] 11, wherein said component (B) is a cyclic siloxane compound represented by the general formula (2):

$$(R^aR^5SiO)_n(R^6R^7SiO)_m (2)$$

wherein R^a represents an alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, R⁵, R⁶, and R⁷ each independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, n represents an integer from 2 to 10, and m represents an integer from 0 to 8, provided that n+m represents an integer from 3 to 10.

Claims 5-6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[6]] 12, wherein said component (D) is an aromatic hydrocarbon compound represented by the general formula (3):

$$R^{a}R^{8}R^{9}Si-A-SiR^{10}R^{11}R^{b}$$
 (3)

wherein R^a and R^b each independently represent an alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms; R⁸, R⁹, R¹⁰, and R¹¹ each independently represent a group selected from the group consisting of an unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, a substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; and A represents an aromatic ring-containing divalent hydrocarbon group having 6 to 12 carbon atoms.

Claims 8-9 (Canceled).

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[6]] 12, wherein said component (E) is a cyclic siloxane compound represented by the general formula (4):

$$(HR^{12}SiO)_n(R^{13}R^{14}SiO)_m$$
 (4)

wherein R¹², R¹³, and R¹⁴ each independently represent a hydrogen atom or an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, n represents an integer from 2 to 10, and m represents an integer from 0 to 8, provided that n+m represents an integer from 3 to 10.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim 1, further comprising A curable silicone resin composition comprising:

(A) an aromatic hydrocarbon compound having at least two hydrogen atoms bonded to silicon atoms, said silicon atoms being bonded to the hydrocarbon skeleton of said aromatic hydrocarbon compound;

- (B) a cyclic siloxane compound having at least two silicon atom-bonded alkenyl groups;
 - (C) a hydrosilylation reaction catalyst; and
 - (F1) a network organopolysiloxane having silicon atom-bonded alkenyl groups.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim 6, further comprising A curable silicone resin composition comprising:

- (C) a hydrosilylation reaction catalyst;
- (D) an aromatic hydrocarbon compound having at least two alkenyl groups bonded to silicon atoms, said silicon atoms being bonded to the hydrocarbon skeleton of said aromatic hydrocarbon compound;
- (E) a cyclic siloxane compound having at least two silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms; and
 - (F1) a network organopolysiloxane having silicon atom-bonded alkenyl groups.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim 1, further comprising A curable silicone resin composition comprising:

(A) an aromatic hydrocarbon compound having at least two hydrogen atoms bonded to silicon atoms, said silicon atoms being bonded to the hydrocarbon skeleton of said aromatic hydrocarbon compound;

- (B) a cyclic siloxane compound having at least two silicon atom-bonded alkenyl groups;
 - (C) a hydrosilylation reaction catalyst; and
 - (F2) a network organopolysiloxane having silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim 6, further comprising A curable silicon resin composition comprising:

- (C) a hydrosilylation reaction catalyst;
- (D) an aromatic hydrocarbon compound having at least two alkenyl groups bonded to silicon atoms, said silicon atoms being bonded to the hydrocarbon skeleton of said aromatic hydrocarbon compound;
- (E) a cyclic siloxane compound having at least two silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms; and
 - (F2) a network organopolysiloxane having silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[1]] 11, wherein said components (A) and (B) are present such that the quantity of the silicon atombonded hydrogen atoms in said component (A) is 0.5 to 2.0 mol per mol of the alkenyl groups in said component (B), and said component (C) is present in an effective quantity as catalyst.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The composition according to claim [[6]] 12, wherein said components (D) and (E) are present such that the quantity of the silicon atombonded hydrogen atoms in said component (E) is 0.5 to 2.0 mol per mol of the alkenyl groups in said component (D), and said component (C) is present in an effective quantity as catalyst.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): A cured product obtained by curing the composition according to claim [[1]] 11.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A cured product obtained by curing the composition according to claim [[6]] 12.

Claim 19 (New): The composition according to claim 13, wherein said component

(A) is an aromatic hydrocarbon compound represented by the general formula (1):

$$HR^1R^2Si-A-SiR^3R^4H$$
 1)

wherein R¹, R², R³, and R⁴ each independently represent a hydrogen atom or a group selected from the group consisting of an unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, a substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, and an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; and A represents an aromatic ring-containing divalent hydrocarbon group having 6 to 12 carbon atoms.

Claim 20 (New): The composition according to claim 13, wherein said component
(B) is a cyclic siloxane compound represented by the general formula (2):

$$(R^a R^5 SiO)_n (R^6 R^7 SiO)_m \tag{2}$$

wherein R^a represents an alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, R⁵, R⁶, and R⁷ each independently represent an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, n represents an integer from 2 to 10, and m represents an integer from 0 to 8, provided that n+m represents an integer from 3 to 10.

Claim 21 (New): The composition according to claim 13, wherein said components (A) and (B) are present such that the quantity of the silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms in said component (A) is 0.5 to 2.0 mol per mol of the alkenyl groups in said component (B), and said component (C) is present in an effective quantity as catalyst.

Claim 22 (New): The composition according to claim 14, wherein said component (D) is an aromatic hydrocarbon compound represented by the general formula (3):

$$R^{a}R^{8}R^{9}Si-A-SiR^{10}R^{11}R^{b}$$
 (3)

wherein R^a and R^b each independently represent an alkenyl group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms; R⁸, R⁹, R¹⁰, and R¹¹ each independently represent a group selected from the group consisting of an unsubstituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, a substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and an alkoxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms; and A represents an aromatic ring-containing divalent hydrocarbon group having 6 to 12 carbon atoms.

Claim 23 (New): The composition according to claim 14, wherein said component
(E) is a cyclic siloxane compound represented by the general formula (4):

$$(HR^{12}SiO)_n(R^{13}R^{14}SiO)_m$$
 (4)

wherein R¹², R¹³, and R¹⁴ each independently represent a hydrogen atom or an unsubstituted or substituted monovalent hydrocarbon group having 1 to 12 carbon atoms except an alkenyl group, n represents an integer from 2 to 10, and m represents an integer from 0 to 8, provided that n+m represents an integer from 3 to 10.

Claim 24 (New): The composition according to claim 14, wherein said components (D) and (E) are present such that the quantity of the silicon atom-bonded hydrogen atoms in

said component (E) is 0.5 to 2.0 mol per mol of the alkenyl groups in said component (D), and said component (C) is present in an effective quantity as catalyst.

Claim 25 (New): A cured product obtained by curing the composition according to claim 13.

Claim 26 (New): A cured product obtained by curing the composition according to claim 14.

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claims 2, 4, 7, and 10-26 are active in the present application. Claims 1, 3, 5-6 and 8-9 are canceled claims. Claims 19-26 are new claims. Support for the new claims is found in the original claims. Claims 11-14 have been rewritten in independent form. No new matter is added.